Training for Homoeopathic Pharmacists

4318. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Department of ISM & H, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare have given priority to introduce organised training programme for Homoeopathic Pharmacists in India; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any expert committee has been constituted for the regulatory mechanism; if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of steps taken to obtain approval of concerned departments for the proposal to set up Homoeopathic Pharmacy Council; and

(d) the progress of process of getting a new Bill introduced and passed in Parliament through expeditious action and by when; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM) : (a) to (d) An Expert Committee constituted by the Government had recommended constitution of Homoeopathic Pharmacy Council to regulate the education and practice of Homoeopathic Pharmacy. Based on this recommendation, the Government is in the process of obtaining concurrence of concerned department leading to the preparation of appropriate legislation for establishing a council.

Medical and Para-Medical Staff in CGHS

4319. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the sanctioned strength of medical and para-medical staff and actual number of Medical and Para-medical staff post-wise pay-scale-wise in the CGHS dispensaries, units of Indian System of Medicine & Homoeopathic in Delhi/ New Delhi.

(b) the details of the daily/monthly attendance of beneficiaries in each CGHS dispensary unit of ISM & H in Delhi/New Delhi from 1st January, 1998 to 31st March, 2000;

(c) the number of para-medical posts lying vacant in each CGHS dispensary/unit of ISM & H with designations; and

(d) the reasons for not filling up the vacant posts of para-medical staff?